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Sir:

Enclosed please find a copy of an English translation of the claims (8 sheets) in the Article 19 Amendment which was filed in the International Application.

Based upon the submission of the amended claims, Applicants respectfully requests examination on the merits of the application containing the 8 replacement sheets of claims 1 - 27, in place of originally filed claims 1 - 27 appearing on pages 58 - 65 in the concurrently filed English translation of International Application No. PCT/JP2003/013903 as originally filed.